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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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District of

WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

(For Organizational Defendants)

Big Ash Fine Cigars and Tobacco, Inc.

CASE NUMBER: 2:09CR00137-001

David J. Groesbeck

Defendant Organization's Attorney

THE DEFENDANT ORGANIZATION:

☒ pleaded guilty to count(s) 1 of the Information☐ pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) _____
which was accepted by the court.☐ was found guilty on count(s) _____
after a plea of not guilty.

The organizational defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

Title & Section	Nature of Offense	Offense Ended	Count
18 U.S.C. 2342(a) and 2	Trafficking Contraband Cigarettes	1/10/2005	1

The defendant organization is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 7 of this judgment.☐ The defendant organization has been found not guilty on count(s) _____☐ Count(s) _____ ☐ is ☐ are dismissed on the motion of the United States.

It is ordered that the defendant organization must notify the United States attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, principal business address, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant organization must notify the court and United States attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.


Defendant Organization's

Federal Employer I.D. No.: 36-4280695

Defendant Organization's Principal Business Address:

2541 Technology Drive, Suite 4120
Elgin, IL 601241/4/2010

Date of Imposition of Judgment



Signature of Judge

Fred Van Sickle

Senior US District Judge

Name of Judge

Title of Judge

January 13, 2010

Date

Defendant Organization's Mailing Address:

2541 Technology Drive, Suite 4120
Elgin, IL 60124

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PROBATION

The defendant organization is hereby sentenced to probation for a term of : **5 years**

The defendant organization shall not commit another federal, state or local crime.

If this judgment imposes a fine or a restitution obligation, it is a condition of probation that the defendant organization pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of this judgment.

The defendant organization must comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court as well as with any additional conditions on the attached page (if indicated below).

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

- 1) within thirty days from the date of this judgment, the defendant organization shall designate an official of the organization to act as the organizations's representative and to be the primary contact with the probation officer;
- 2) the defendant organization shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer;
- 3) the defendant organization shall notify the probation officer ten days prior to any change in principal business or mailing address;
- 4) the defendant organization shall permit a probation officer to visit the organization at any of its operating business sites;
- 5) the defendant organization shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of any criminal prosecution, major civil litigation, or administrative proceeding against the organization;
- 6) the defendant organization shall not dissolve, change its name, or change the name under which it does business unless this judgment and all criminal monetary penalties imposed by this court are either fully satisfied or are equally enforceable against the defendant's successors or assignees; and
- 7) the defendant organization shall not waste, nor without permission of the probation officer, sell, assign, or transfer its assets.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

1. The organization shall provide the supervising officer with access to any requested financial information, including authorization to conduct credit checks and obtain copies of your Federal income tax returns. The organization shall disclose all assets and liabilities to the supervising officer. The organization shall not transfer, sell, give away, or otherwise convey any asset, without the advance approval of the supervising officer.
2. The organization shall surrender or make available for review, any documents and/or business records, requested by the supervising officer.
3. The organization shall not incur any new debt, open additional lines of credit, or enter into any financial contracts, without the advance approval of the supervising officer.
4. The organization shall develop and submit to the Court an effective compliance and ethics program consistent with U.S.S.G. § 8B2.1 (Effective Compliance and Ethics Program). The organization shall include in its submission a schedule for implementation.
5. The organization shall make semiannual written reports to the Court or probation officer regarding its progress in implementing the effective compliance and ethics program. Among other things, such reports shall disclose any criminal prosecution, civil litigation, or administrative proceeding commenced against the organization, or any investigation or formal inquiry by governmental authorities of which the organization learned since its last report.
6. The organization shall submit to: a reasonable number of regular or unannounced examinations of its books and records at appropriate business premises by the probation officer or experts engaged by the Court; and interrogation of knowledgeable individuals within the organization. Compensation to and costs of any experts engaged by the Court shall be paid by the organization.

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The defendant organization must pay the following total criminal monetary penalties under the schedule of payments on Sheet 4.

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Restitution</u>
TOTALS	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 0.00

- ☐ The determination of restitution is deferred until _____. An *Amended Judgment in a Criminal Case* (AO 245C) will be entered after such determination.
- ☐ The defendant organization shall make restitution (including community restitution) to the following payees in the amount listed below.

If the defendant organization makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage payment column below. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(i), all nonfederal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Total Loss*</u>	<u>Restitution Ordered</u>	<u>Priority or Percentage</u>

TOTALS	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
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- ☐ Restitution amount ordered pursuant to plea agreement \$ _____
- ☐ The defendant organization shall pay interest on restitution or a fine of more than \$2,500, unless the restitution or fine is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of the judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment options on Sheet 4 may be subject to penalties for delinquency and default, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).
- ☒ The court determined that the defendant organization does not have the ability to pay interest, and it is ordered that:
- ☒ the interest requirement is waived for the ☒ fine ☐ restitution.
- ☐ the interest requirement for the ☐ fine ☐ restitution is modified as follows:

* Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

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SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed the organization's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties are due as follows:

- A ☒ Lump sum payment of \$ 2,400.00 due immediately, balance due
- ☐ not later than _____, or
- ☐ in accordance with ☐ C or ☐ D below; or
- B ☐ Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with ☐ C or ☐ D below); or
- C ☐ Payment in _____ (e.g., equal, weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ _____ over a period of _____ (e.g., months or years), to commence _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after the date of this judgment; or
- D ☐ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:

All criminal monetary penalties are made to the clerk of the court.

The defendant organization shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

☐ Joint and Several

Defendant and Co-Defendant Names and Case Numbers (including defendant number), Total Amount, Joint and Several Amount, and corresponding payee, if appropriate.

- ☐ The defendant organization shall pay the cost of prosecution.
- ☐ The defendant organization shall pay the following court cost(s):
- ☐ The defendant organization shall forfeit the defendant organization's interest in the following property to the United States:

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) fine principal, (5) fine interest, (6) community restitution, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.